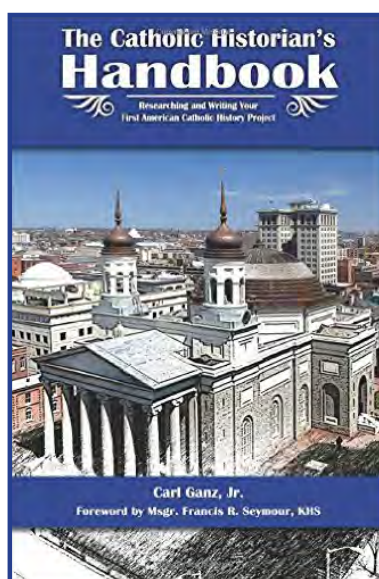


Looking for a unique birthday or Christmas gift? A Texas professor, Michael P. Foley, has written a book that is sure to be popular with Catholics — *Drinking with the Saints: The Sinner's Guide to a Holy Happy Hour* (Washington, D.C.: Regnery History, 2015). You can pub crawl your way through the sacred seasons with a collection of cocktail recipes, distilled spirits, beer, and wine for every occasion on the Catholic liturgical calendar. The 487-page book is one part bartender's guide, one part spiritual manual — with a dash of irreverence, mixed with love. The front cover — with the image of a cardinal raising a brandy — says it all: a celebration of the Catholic contribution to the spirits world and to the spirit world. Definitely something for every sinner and every saint!



## How to Write a Catholic Parish or Institutional History

Mid-July 2015 witnessed publication of *The Catholic Historian's Handbook: Researching and Writing Your First American Catholic History Project* by Carl Ganz, Jr. The book presents advice, guidance, and the extensive experience of the members of the New Jersey Catholic Historical Commission and the Diocese of Metuchen Historical Records Commission. The book's unofficial title — *Everything We Wish We Knew Before Starting Our First Catholic History Project* — aptly describes this wonderful effort to provide first-time writers of parish and institutional histories with the accumulated wisdom of those who have been doing such research and writing for decades in the field of American Catholic history. **The Catholic Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania** is identified as one of the “best places” to start research. This unique 61-page “how-to” guide will help amateur historians achieve their goal. It is available at **Amazon.com**.